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Councillors get glimpse of transportation plan

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Haliburton County councillors received a report during a Nov. 28 meeting regarding the transportation implementation plan it hired firm IBI Group to complete for the municipality.

A finalized, detailed plan will be presented to the new county council by reps from the firm in the new year.

"They have agreed that a request-based system is the system of choice for the County of Haliburton," county planner Charlsey White told councillors.

A request-based system would include a shared ride service with trips booked ahead by users, as opposed to a fixed-route system, such as a traditional city bus system one would see in larger centres.

A request-based system allows flexibility in dealing with the needs of a dispersed population in a large geographical area, and can adapt to community needs that may change based on the day of the week or time of the year, the report indicates.

It is the firm's recommendation that the operation of the system be contracted out, wit h a service co-ordinator to book and schedule rides hired directly by the municipality.

As for cost, the report contains an estimate

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The 2018-2022 Minden Hills council met for an inaugural meeting on Dec. 3. From left, newly elected officials Councillor Bob Carter, Ward 1, Councillor Jennifer Hughey, Ward 1, Mayor Brent Devolin, Deputy Mayor Lisa Schell, Councillor-atlarge Ron Nesbitt, Councillor Pam Sayne, Ward 3, Councillor Jean Neville, Ward 2./SUE TIFFIN Staff

Minden Hills welcomes newcomers to council

by SUE TIFFIN Times Staff

In his opening remarks to a new council, Mayor Brent Devolin said "diversity will be our strength" at the inaugural meeting of the 2018-2022 Minden Hills council.

He acknowledged councillors Jennifer Hughey and Bob Carter, two new members of the council that otherwise sees the same elected officials as last term, saying they "bring different life experience," that he's excited about even though there might be times he will disagree with what is brought to the table.

"I believe in democracy and I think in terms of the age distribution here and the gender, this is pretty balanced, and I think we're reflective of our community," said Devolin.

"I would say to the public that of the seven of us, there should be at least one when you have a problem or concern or something that just ticks you off, reach out to one of us, and have us act as your advocates in determining what we do or don't do. Those are kind of my hopes and aspirations.'

Devolin thanked township staff for their efforts during the previous four years, and ac-

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Murdoch and Anthon thanked for their service

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knowledged the work of Cheryl Murdoch and Jeanne Anthon, who retired from their deputy mayor and councillor positions after years of service. This marks Devolin's second term as mayor.

"I was excited in trepidation four years ago, partly because there were things I didn't know," he said. "I wouldn't say I'm any less feeling the same way today because I know the challenges we have, but I look forward with great expectation that we will have the success that we had in the last term."

In a new role, Lisa Schell was sworn-in as deputy mayor. Previously she had sat as councillor for three terms and was acclaimed as deputy mayor, stepping in as longtime politician Cheryl Murdoch retired.

"Being on council isn't always popular, as many decisions are made that not everyone will be happy with, however, in my first term, [outgoing councillor] Peter Oyler imparted some words of wisdom to me," Schell said. "He said, 'do for the many, not for the few.' With those words in mind I've always tried to base my decisions on what the majority of ratepayers and residents would want."

Schell stressed the importance for residents to be educated on issues and seek out information by signing up to alerts from the Minden Hills website or following her Facebook page where she posts information and updates.

"This past election showed how many people actually aren't aware of events, public meetings and facts," she said. "Get the facts, folks. It's so important to understand how your local government works and why we make the decisions we do. All decisions at this table are never made lightly."

Councillor Bob Carter, one of two Ward 1 councillors, joins the council as a newcomer to municipal politics.

"It will be a steep learning curve, but you know, I tell you all that I'll work with integrity and always try to do my best for the people of Minden Hills," he said.

Councillor Jennifer Hughey, also for Ward 1, is a newcomer to council as well.

"I'm very excited, I think all of you know

Correction

A photo last week incorrectly identified Matt Wesley as being a member of the Minden Hills fire department.

I'm very excited to be doing this job for you and the ratepayers of Minden," she said. "I look forward to working with everyone at this table and everyone that supports this table and certainly I'm looking forward to learning as much as I can in this four years."

Re-elected Ward 2 Councillor Pam Sayne said the council will be "hitting the ground running," on what she called a heavy agenda.

"I do want to highlight the fact that scientific research has shown that consensus is the best decision maker," she said. "All the scientific research says that it's not the most experienced person, the smartest person or the most articulate person in the room, it really is a consensus that makes the best decisions and the most accurate decisions. So that's not an opinion, that's scientific fact. So I'd like to encourage more discussion, people coming from their positions and also for the community to add what they have and their perspectives into all the decisions we need because that's the only way we're going to make the best decisions for all of us. Using our thinking and mindful leadership, listening to each other, I think is going to be a very important part of very difficult decisions ahead of us."

Councillor Jean Neville, Ward 3, was also re-elected. She said she looked forward to working with the new members of council who she was sure would have "some great ideas and lots of energy."

"We have some seedlings of projects on the go which I hope to see through to fruition," she said. "Hopefully we can do good things in this coming term of council."

Neville acknowledged Jeanne Anthon, who retired from her position of councillor Ward 1 and previously sat as a reeve in her long political career, saying she would desperately miss her other half, with the two being known as "a pair of Jean(nes)," but said to laughter from the crowd, which included Anthon, she was sure Anthon could be signed up for committees and volunteer work.

Councillor-at-large Ron Nesbitt, who was reelected, said he loved his job and felt "honoured and privileged" to be sitting on council again. He said he enjoyed working with the people he was working with, including staff, and looked forward to working with newcomers Carter and Hughey, who he encouraged to reach out as they transitioned into their roles

"If you need anything, call one of us because we're all family," he said.

Laurie Scott, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-



Ward 1 councillors Bob Carter and Jennifer Hughey signed their first resolution at the inaugural council meeting held Dec. 3 in Minden. /SUE TIFFIN Staff



Returning mayor Brent Devolin, centre, addresses the 2018-2022 Minden Hills council, township staff and a crowd that had gathered to witness the inaugural council meeting.

Brock MPP, extended congratulations via a statement read by master of ceremonies Dick Schell.

"From personal experience, I can tell you that it is an honour and privilege to represent the great people of Minden Hills," read Scott's statement. "It is my belief that by working together we can solve local chal-

lenges and achieve the best results for our community."

The meeting also included a piping in of the elected officials by piper Brian Sachs, and an invocation by Reverend Canon Joan Cavanaugh. Councillors Hughey and Carter signed the resolution, their first, to adjourn the meeting





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Algonquin Highlands council sworn in

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

"I'm honoured to have the opportunity to continue to be mayor of this amazing community," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt as the township's new council was sworn in during its Dec. 4 inaugural meeting. This term will mark the sixth term of council of the amalgamated Township of Algonquin Highlands, meaning Moffatt, who was acclaimed to her third term as mayor in the Oct. 22 election, has led half of them.

"The public has placed in us its faith that we will make good, useful decisions, and even though some of those decisions won't be popular, the most important thing is to keep the conversation going for a greater two-way understanding of any issue," Moffatt said. ".. Our decision-making here is based on common sense, that includes ensuring the outcomes are fair, beneficial and for the greatest good – not the greater good, the greatest good.'

The mayor said council's greatest challenge would be to continue balancing the needs of the township's three distinct

"I want us to challenge the status quo, and if we find along the way that we're the status quo, then we need to challenge ourselves to be better, to do more, and to think differently," Moffatt said.

Councillors read their oaths of office, and members reelected Ward 2 Councillor Liz Daniselsen to again serve as the township's deputy mayor. It will be the third term that Danielsen, who will also be Haliburton County warden for 2019, has held that role.

Other members of council include Ward 2 Councillor Lisa Barry, also entering her third term, and newcomers Julia Shortreed in Ward 1 and Jennifer Dailloux in Ward 3.

The new Algonquin Highlands council is one of just a few all-female municipal councils elected in Ontario's history.

Danielsen warden for 2019

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen will be warden of Haliburton County for 2019.

Danielsen was the sole member of Haliburton County council to put her name forward for the position in advance of a late October deadline. Each year, county councillors select from among themselves who will serve as warden - the head of council, and key representative of the county at large – for the year. Haliburton County council is comprised of the mayor and deputy mayor of each of the county's four lower-tier municipalities.

A caveat was that Danielsen be re-appointed as deputy mayor of Algonquin Highlands, which has since occurred. Algonquin Highlands councillors vote from among themselves who will serve as the municipality's deputy mayor each term. The new Algonquin Highlands council, along with the councils of the county's other lower tiers, was sworn in this week. Danielsen reclaimed her seat as a Ward 2 councillor in the township by acclamation in the October election. She has held the post for two terms and has also been deputy mayor, and therefore a member of county council, for the past eight years. She also held the new position of deputy warden for 2018.

Danielsen said during a Nov. 28 county council meeting that it was her understanding she had the required support in Algonquin Highlands to again become deputy mayor, and thanked her county council colleagues for their support.

The warden is sworn in at a December inaugural meeting.



Members of the 2018-2022 Algonquin Highlands council are, from left, Ward 2 Councillor Lisa Barry, Ward 1 Councillor Julia Shortreed, Mayor Carol Moffatt, Ward 2 Councillor and Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen and Ward 3 Councillor Jennifer Dailloux. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

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For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Please take notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council on Mon Dec 10, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the Minden Community Centre, Room #3, 55 Parkside St., Minden for the purpose of Council Orientation. If you have any questions about Council meetings, please contact:

> Dawn Newhook, Clerk Township of Minden Hills 705-286-1260 ext. 205 dnewhook@mindenhills.ca

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· Minden Hills Fire Department, 24 hours a day Donations will be accepted until December 17, 2018.



Stamp recognizing first responders presented to life-saving paramedics

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

Just a week shy of the third year anniversary of a car accident that saw her trapped in a mail carrier van, postal worker Teresa Graham had the opportunity to thank face-to-face the first responders who climbed into the vehicle with her and worked to free her from the wreckage.

The paramedics first on the scene at the 2015 accident – Krystal Ryan and Deeno Pearsell – were joined by fellow paramedics, Canada Post representatives and Teresa alongside her husband and daughter at a presentation held on Nov. 30 at the Minden post office. When given the chance to present a stamp from a new countrywide series honouring emergency responders – Canadian Armed Forces, paramedics, firefighters, police officers and search and rescue experts – the local branch reached out to the paramedics who helped their employee.

"We thought it would be very befitting to formally thank you for all of your service you do in the community," said Kim Wood, postmaster. "I know it's 24 hours, seven days a week service that you're providing and we just wanted to let you know that we appreciate it very much."

Teresa said the first people that came to mind when she heard of the stamp presentation were the paramedics she has been thinking of for the past three years.

"The reason being because without you guys, I wouldn't be standing here right now, literally standing here right now," she said. "It gives my husband and my oldest daughter here, it gives us closure. It was a rough day, a rough week, it's been a rough recovery."

Teresa was driving her regular mail route in December 2015 when she swerved to avoid hitting a deer on Kashagawigamog Lake Road and ran into a tree. The steering column caught her in the ribs, while the motor itself was pushed into the right hand drive vehicle and crushed her legs. She broke both legs, her feet, four ribs and required almost five hours of emergency surgery to repair her legs and avoid amputation.

"I have about five pounds of steel in my right leg, they were able to put my left leg back together," she said of her recovery after the accident, which she called an "uphill battle," that has left her with post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I do appreciate the fact that you guys gave me my life back, left my kids with a mom and my husband with a wife," said Teresa, in tears. "I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart."

"It changes your life in a blink of an eye, all of a sudden,



At a Nov. 30 stamp presentation, Teresa Graham was able to get closer to closure by thanking the paramedics who responded to her 2015 car accident on Kashagawigamog Road while delivering the mail. From left, Kim Wood, postmaster, Minden office; Jim Young, deputy chief, paramedics; Teresa Graham, postal worker and 2015 accident survivor; Jo-Ann Hendry, deputy chief, paramedics; Krystal Ryan, paramedic; Tim Waite, chief, paramedic services; and Deeno Pearsell, retired paramedic./SUE TIFFIN Staff

everything's fine," said Dave Graham, detailing the phone call that alerted him to his wife's accident. " ... that's how fast your life can change. You know, it's upside down in a second. I thank you guys ... if it wasn't for you guys doing your jobs..."

The five-stamp tribute recognizing the life-saving efforts of emergency responders and was launched by Canada Post in September.

"Each design features a single resolute figure in the foreground with a scene representing the teamwork, cooperation and determination required to be among Canada's emergency responders," reads a Canada Post press release.

The designs can be purchased in a book of stamps, a pane or as official first day covers. Teresa said she appreciates the efforts of Canada Post in recognizing the work of emergency responders, and for giving her the opportunity to meet with them

"To be able to actually say thank you to them, I mean, there's not enough words you can put in a letter. Lord knows I've tried," she said. "When it comes to paramedics and the firefighters that were there that day, there was not one moment you could say someone was selfish. They were there, and I was their focus. Not that I want to be the focus of anybody. The thing of it was, she didn't think twice, he didn't think twice ... Not once did they have any panic in their voice, which was probably the most relieving. For me, I stayed calm through the whole thing."

Kim Wood, postmaster, presented the stamp alongside Teresa to Jim Young, Jo-Ann Hendry, Krystal Ryan, Tim Waite and Deeno Pearsell.



"I will forever be indebted to her," said Teresa Graham, postal worker, of Krystal Ryan, paramedic. The two met for the first time since Ryan crawled into the Canada Post vehicle Graham was stuck in after a 2015 car accident. Local paramedics received a stamp plaque dedicated to first responders.



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Let us count the ways

CHAD INGRAM

Reporter

HIS WEEK NEW
municipal councils across
Haliburton County are
getting sworn in, as a fresh council
term gets underway. There are a lot
of councillors in Haliburton County
– too many – and the absolute No.
1 priority of the new term should
be the establishment of single-tier
governance.

Between the townships of Minden Hills and Dysart et al, which each have seven-member councils, and Algonquin Highlands and

Highlands East, which each have five-member councils, there are 24 individual councillors in Haliburton County. Factor in the uppertier council – which, comprised of the mayors and deputy mayors of each township, has eight seats – and there are 32 council

seats in Haliburton County. The county's year-round population is approximately 18,000.

Let's put that in perspective. The City of Ottawa has a population of nearly a million people, and has a 24-member council. The City of Mississauga, with a population of more than 720,000, has a 12-member council. Brampton: nearly 600,000 people, 11 council seats. The City of Kawartha Lakes, with a population of nearly 100,000, has adopted a nine-member council. You get the picture.

Oh, and let's not forget that, abruptly, the City of Toronto, the most populous city in the country, and the fourth most populous city in North America, now has a council of 25 members. The year-round population of Haliburton County

can't fill up half the Rogers Centre. In fact, it would basically take year-round and seasonal folks combined for us to pack that place for a Jays' game.

Starting this week, the four new lower-tier councils of Haliburton County will begin discussions on the same topics – landfills, septic inspections, short-term rentals, official plans, etc., etc., etc. An exercise in redundancy, sometimes they will come to the same conclusions, sometimes they

will not. Sometimes they will create similar bylaws, sometimes they will not, contributing to the ongoing patchwork of inconsistent policy throughout the County of Haliburton.

As I've written before in this space, the largest benefit of amalgamation would

not be financial savings, it would be consistency and efficiency. The current framework is redundant, inefficient and archaic. How long do you think it will be permitted to go on?

As Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin has said over and over, and as Premier Ford's actions in Toronto demonstrate, if the county does not create a more effective governance model for itself, then one will almost certainly be imposed on it. It's just a matter of when

One of the very first acts of the new Haliburton County council should be the striking of an amalgamation task force, and finding the right people to conduct a study on and plan for creating a single tier.



"We need the naughty/nice list for all holidays."

From no shoes to snowshoes

NE OF THE hardest calls for anyone who enjoys winter is when to decide it's appropriate to start wearing snowshoes in public. Wear them too early and you'll look silly. Wear them too late and you'll be floundering in deep snow

There are many theories on determining the proper time for snowshoes. There are also tried and true rules such as never wearing them in a month that ends in -une, -uly or -ust.

A knowledgeable outdoorsman once told me that I could get a good sense of when to don snowshoes, if I watched deer as they traversed through snow. I quickly discarded this advice as I have never once seen a deer wearing snowshoes.

I believe the best thing to do is go to a place where people routinely snowshoe and then look for tracks.

Once there, you need to examine them carefully.

For instance, if you go to a place and see snowshoe tracks crossing grassy patches, the odds are good that you should probably wait for better accumulations of snow.

If you see snow and one set of snowshoe tracks and one set of boot tracks, it might be too early for snowshoes. Then again, hardly anyone is around, so do what you want.

If you see one set of snowshoe tracks and they do a quick U-turn back to the parking lot after confronting several sets of boot tracks of people who a skilled tracker can determine were belly-laughing then it is definitely too early.

If the snowshoe tracks suddenly deviate from the main trail and pause behind a thick tree or out building while many boot

tracks pass, it is too early but the snowshoer bought a new pair and, gosh-darn it, he's going to get some use out of them this winter. Therefore, if you bought a new pair, you should probably try them out too.

One the other hand, tracks will also tell you when snowshoes are absolutely necessary. For instance, if you walk up to a snowshoe trail and see several boot tracks that lead to toques sticking out of the snow, it's probably time for snowshoes.

The point here is there is no wrong time to wear snowshoes – only highly embar-

rassing times to wear them.

There might even be some times that you should have worn them except for the fact that too many others wore them first. This typically happens when you get to a popular snowshoe trail late and a hundred other snowshoers have already been there tamping it down to the consistency of concrete.

Sure, you can snowshoe on that already well-beaten trail, but you are not fooling anyone. Snowshoes are not required.

Have no fear though. It's not even winter yet. Sooner or later you will have an opportunity to wear snowshoes. At that point, the snow will be deeper than your knees and the paths might be trodden but not too packed down.

Then, you will feel that your snowshoes are keeping you afloat on the snow and you might even feel superior to someone who is trying to traverse the trail without them – which has always been the greatest thing about snowshoeing, if you ask me.

When is that going to happen?
I don't know, but I can tell you this. You won't find out from watching deer.



STEVE GALEA *Beyond 35*

INOTHERWORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Of friendship and common decency

T HAS BEEN A WEEK of thoughtful recollection and warm tributes to George H. W. Bush, the 41st president of the United States, who died

Like all leaders, global or local, Bush collected his share of credits and blame and leaves a legacy of character traits to follow or ignore. To me, a key Bush lesson is the value of nurturing friendships.

Bush's long friendship with James Baker, his secretary of state and White House chief of staff, is well documented as a friendship that benefitted both men and their missions.

There were many other nurtured friendships, not so well documented but certainly reflective of how friendships make us better human beings and help

JIM POLING SR. From Shaman's Rock

us achieve what we need to achieve. One example is the 30-year friendship between Bush and Brian Mulroney, our former prime minister.

The two men developed a bond that Mulroney says helped achieve policies important to Canadians, including the North American Free Trade Agreement and the U.S.-Canada Treaty on

Bush's friendships were not just with people who felt the same about things that he did. He was close with Bill Clinton, the political opposite who denied him a second presidential term. Some

observers have said that Democrat Clinton had huge respect for the man he defeated and Republican Bush treated Clinton much like a son.

Friendships offer people opportunities to learn from each other. Arnold Schwarzenegger, former California governor and movie star, remembers that his friendship with Bush taught him "the good side of politics, that you can cross the aisle and you can talk to the other side."

Bush also was an example of how common decency allows a person to have friendships with people who criticize you and sometimes hurt you.

Maureen Dowd, the New York Times journalist, revealed this week her unlikely friendship with Bush despite some tough pieces she wrote about his presidency and that of his son, George.

Bush did not like some things the New York Times wrote, but always seemed to understand the relationship between the press and people in power. He never considered the media the enemy of the people.

Dowd revealed that he once wrote her a note that characterizes his feelings about the press and how building friendships was a critical part of his character.

"Put it this way," said his note to her. "I reserve the right to whine, to not read, to use profanity, but if you ever get really hurt or if you ever get really down and need a shoulder to cry on or just need a friend — give me a call. I'll be there for you. I'll not let you down. Now, go on out and knock my knickers off. When you do, I might just cancel my subscription."

Bush was a classic example of how to build, maintain and manage friendships. Respect friends, their time, their space, their ideas and their opinions. You don't have to agree with them but don't be manipulative or dishonest

Being honest is always the best way of doing the right thing, no matter how much it might hurt. Bush showed that in a 1995 letter to the National Rifle Association (NRA) of which he was a lifetime member.

Wayne LaPierre, the NRA head, had written a mean-spirited letter to President Clinton condemning his administration's 10-year ban on some semi-automatic assault weapons (the ban expired in 2004). It said the "ban gives jackbooted government thugs more power to take away our constitutional rights, break in our doors, seize our guns, destroy our property, and even injure or kill us."

Bush, gun owner, hunter and then retired in Houston, wrote LaPierre saying the NRA letter offended a "sense of decency and honor" and "indirectly slanders a wide array of government law enforcement officials, who are out there, day and night, laying their lives on the line for all of us."

The letter said he was rescinding his lifetime NRA membership.

Times change, sometimes not for the better. But George H. W. Bush never forgot the advice of Aesop, the ancient Greek storyteller who wrote (personal pronouns changed to reflect our times):

"A person is known by the company he or she keeps."

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It's December!

LAURIE SWEIG

Practical Fitness

T'S DECEMBER AND a shortbread cookie has already jumped into my mouth. True story. I believe that Sesame Street's Cookie Monster character was based on me and my love of cookies. As I write this, I know there are people baking up a storm getting ready for the holiday sea-

son. It is a time of good cheer and intense calorie consumption. I am sorry for raining on the parade but that is the truth. For this year, I am proposing that we make a pact to get through this season by eating/ drinking less and enjoying the days just as much or even more. It is possible. It takes planning and staying true to the healthy practices that we use for the other 11 months of the year.

Here are some ideas that can help you get

• If you're someone who uses the scale get on it right now. Write the number you see on a piece of paper with a big marker and tape it up in a place you will see it regularly. Make a few copies if you need to. Put one on the fridge, the bathroom mirror, and the dashboard of your car. Your goal is that number will be the same when the holiday season winds down for you. Choose a date today to weigh yourself again.

• Get out the calendar and plan times to exercise all the way through the season.

Make dates with friends to walk, jog, ski, snowshoe, skate or whatever it is that you won't necessarily do when you're on your

• Don't let yourself get really hungry. We tend to overeat when we get overly hungry. Get fruits and vegetables into you first. By

> doing this you're setting yourself up to make better decisions.

• If you wear a fitness tracker set a daily step goal. Be reasonable about it. If you're sitting in the car for hours adjust your goal to a number that you can achieve. Set yourself up for

• This will be a pain, but make a commitment to tracking every calorie that you put in your mouth. One trick is first thing in

the morning write down everything you plan to eat throughout the day and then adjust as needed when you go through the day.

This can be a very stressful time of the year. Arm yourself with a couple of these tools. Start thinking about it now before the momentum takes you in an unhealthy direction. Let's check in January to see how it all worked out.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal fitness trainer and spinning instructor. She owns and operates The Point for Fitness. She can be reached at laurie@thepointforfitness.

Pie sale on Saturday

DORSET NEWS

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On Saturday, Dec. 8 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Knox United Church is hosting their Christmas Pie Sale and Social. A slice of pie with coffee, tea or juice is just \$5 and there will be baked or frozen pies and tarts for sale

Parks, Recreation and Trails of Algonquin Highlands has 3.5 of 21 km of XC Ski Trails opened and machine groomed Nov. 21. That's a first! Bunny, Sawmill and Fox trail south all machine groomed powder. No trackset. Use caution as there are some rocks and roots and some wet/icy sections. More trails to open in the coming days. Trails office is open daily 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Self registration is available at the trailhead outside of office hours. Office is located at the Frost Centre on Highway 35.

The Winter Pantry is doing a Reverse Advent Calendar this year. Each week they put out a list of suggested items and every day you place an item in a box and at the end you take the box to the LCBO in Dorset or Baysville and the Winter Pantry will collect and distribute the items. The lists are posted on their Facebook and Instagram pages, Winter Pantry – Baysville & Dorset. This time of year it's always a good idea to check out local flyers for sale items that can be donated to food banks and food drives. Every little bit helps and is greatly appreciated.

Tickets for Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol at the Dorset Recreation Centre Wednesday Dec. 18 at 6:30 p.m. can be purchased at Coldwell Banker in Dorset (beside the LCBO) from Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. To make arrangements outside of those times please email burgesslt@ me.com. Tickets are \$20 each and kids 12 and under are free with a donation to the Winter Pantry (to be brought the night of).

Happy birthday to Jackie Timbers, Donald McEachern and Chris Davis. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.



Wine on Wheels Winner

Laurie Oetelaar of Gelert wheels away her prize - a brand new wheelbarrow, donated by Canadian Tire, and 48 bottles of wine, donated by members of the Minden Health Care Auxiliary. This raffle made more than \$4,000 for the Auxiliary. The winning ticket was drawn at their recent Christmas Sale and Lunch, which brought in almost \$2,000. These funds will be used to purchase new equipment for the Minden Emergency Department, and the Hyland Crest Seniors' Home. Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets and attended our Christmas event. /Submitted

Peter Fearrey remembered by HHHS

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussing during a Nov. 29 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board

CEO Carolyn Plummer expressed grief and condolences at the passing of Peter Fearrey, who worked for HHHS for 43 years, and was director of facilities and special projects.

Fearrey passed away on Nov. 26 in his 62nd year.

"It's had a tremendous impact across the organization," Plummer said. "He also has many family members who work at the organization, many close friends, and certainly many colleagues who have worked with him for a number of years and developed a close relationship. And so it's been devastating for the organization.

Plummer expressed condolences to Fearrey's family.

"Our hearts go out to the family," she said. "We are all thinking about Peter and his contributions."

"Everywhere you go in here . . . you cannot go anywhere in any of our facilities without seeing some sign of Peter, in some way, shape or form," Plummer said, motioning to the boardroom floor itself. "Even the floor that we walk on, that was a project that he led."

Reducing the deficit

HHHS is chipping away at reducing a deficit that, at the end of July, was \$250,000 for the fiscal year. That deficit was due largely to ongoing operating deficits at the organization's long-term care facilities, as well as some revenues that had been frozen by the province.

"Obviously, the bleeding needed to be stopped, and hopefully turned around," said finance committee chairman David Gray.

Halfway through the fiscal year, the deficit had been reduced to approximately \$134,000, and the organization's goal is to have it eliminated by the end of March.

A new management plan that is being put in place is expected to help with that.

"Obviously, the management plan that was put in place after the September meeting, it takes time for that to come into fruition," Gray said.

He said it was possible costs may spike due to factors such as the severity of this year's flu season.

"Like a lot of things in life, there's a lot of variables that come into play," he said.

"And the biggest one of all is political uncertainty," Gray

said, saying the organization had a large number of items totalling nearly \$1 million it had requested funding for from the province.

Chief of staff succession

HHHS is seeking a new chief of staff, a position that has traditionally been filled by a physician working at the organization.

"Currently, unfortunately, there are no candidates among our current, active staff," said current chief of staff Dr. Kristy Gammon, explaining that HHHS's medical advisory committee has recommended advertising for the position, "hoping that somebody with a strong skill set is existing within our community."

Cash for Care is in the air

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Tickets for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's seventh annual Cash for Care lottery fundraiser are now available.

The lottery was launched at an event at the Minden HHHS facility on Nov. 29.

"We are going to turn the tables a little bit, and hopefully announce some special incentives with respect to this year's lottery," said foundation board chairman Peter Oyler.

With a total of \$25,000 in cash prizes, this year's lottery will offer four early bird draws, there were three previously. Those draws, for \$500 each, will take place Feb. 14, March 15, April 15 and May 15, respectively. Three final draws, for cash prizes of \$1,000, \$2,000 and \$20,000, will be held May 30

"So, your odds of winning are better than they ever have been before," Oyler said.

For the first time, the foundation is also offering seven tickets for \$100 – the previous deal was six for \$100. Three tickets can be purchased for \$50, or single tickets for \$20 each.

In Minden, tickets are available at Canadian Tire, Dollo's Foodland and the TD Bank. In Haliburton, they can be found at BMO, Foodland and Todd's Independent. They can also be purchased at the foundation offices at the Haliburton and Minden HHHS facilities when staff are there, or by calling the lottery hotline at 705-457-1580.

A total of 4,500 tickets are available, and there were already orders for 400 on the day of the launch.

Proceeds from this year's lottery will go toward the foundation's Heart of the Matter campaign, raising money for the purchase of cardiac telemetry equipment.



Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation board chairman Peter Oyler speaks at the launch of the foundation's annual Cash for Care lottery fundraiser, which this year offers more chances to win. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



Deadline approaching for pot opt-out

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

One of the first decisions that the new councils of Haliburton County's townships, and the upper-tier council of the county, will have to make in the term is whether they want to opt out of allowing marijuana stores within their boundaries.

Cannabis was legalized across the country in October, and in Ontario, the provincial government is selling marijuana by mail, while allowing private businesses to set up physical store locations. Municipal governments have until Jan. 22 to decide if they want to opt out, or disallow marijuana shops from being opened within their jurisdictions.

"If you don't make that decision, it's assumed that you opt in," Lisa Kaldeway, a health promotor with the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit, told county councillors during a Nov. 28 meeting. "You can opt in at a later date by resolution, if

If the upper tier council of Haliburton County chose to opt out, it would automatically mean that its four lower-tier municipalities would opt out as well. The health unit has prepared a document containing considerations regarding marijuana outlets that it will be sending to municipalities within its jurisdiction.

"First of all, I just want to preface this conversation with, the health unit is not recommending one option over the other, we're just offering things to think about through a public health lens," Kaldeway said.

One of those things is a minimum distance between marijuana outlets and sensitive locations such as mental health and addiction services sites, vendor outlets for other substances such as alcohol. and schools.

The health unit believes the minimum distance of 150 metres between an outlet and schools is not sufficient.

Marijuana stores may have hours of 9 a.m. to 11 p.m., which will match the increased operating hours of LCBO outlets.

Through municipal cannabis policy statements, municipalities have the opportunity to create minimum setbacks for themselves. Other considerations, such as areas of permitted use, can also be addressed through municipal bylaws.

Under the basic provincial regulations, marijuana smoking is to be permitted in areas where tobacco smoking is permitted, a point of concern for the health unit, since unlike tobacco, marijuana is an intoxicating substance and people within the vicinity of someone who is smoking marijuana can be affected.

There will be implications for municipalities, such as planning and zoning considerations, as well as bylaw enforcement, although the main responsibility for enforcement has been assigned by the province to health units.

The HKPR District Health Unit has two smoking enforcement officers, and no additional funding is being supplied by the province to deal with the increased portfolio.

"So, it's basically the same crew taking this on, and adding to existing responsibilities," Kaldeway said, adding this would mean that enforcement would be reactive rather than proactive.

Health units will also be co-operating with other agencies to provide educational programming in schools on the risks of mari-

The provincial government has earmarked \$40 million in funding over two years for municipalities to assist with implementation costs. There are 440 municipalities in the province. In the case of the upper tier of Haliburton County, it should receive about \$30,000 in provincial funding, and each of its lower tiers at least \$5,000.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said that legalization has been a topic of discussion at meetings of the county's community policing advisory committee, where it's been agreed that whatever approach is taken locally, the county's four municipalities should be aligned.

"Some of the unanswered questions are getting answered, but there's still lots of them," said Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin.

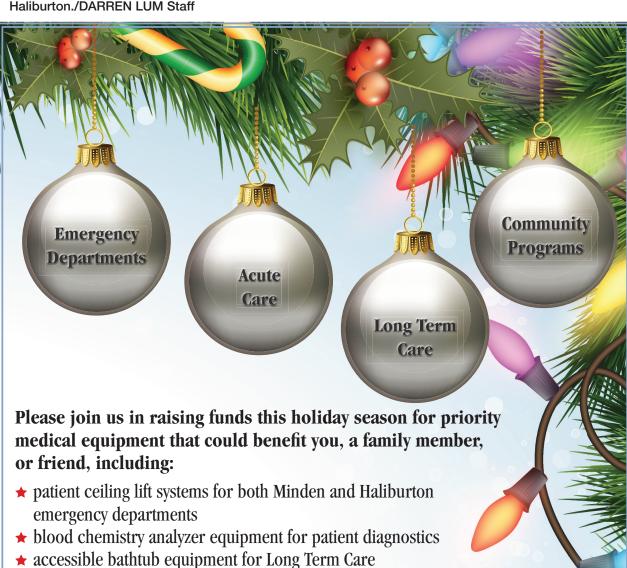
"I'm glad that it's clarified that, principally, the enforcement is not a municipal jurisdiction," Devolin said.

As for the level of funding from the province, "it's a joke," Devolin said. "In terms of what the cost is, it's a joke. It's not going to begin to cover this."



Fill the Cruiser

Haliburton Highlands OPP auxiliary officers Garrett Harrison and Courtney Crowe, in front, collected food with constable Matt Leach during the police's Fill the Cruiser outreach event on Saturday, Dec. 1 at the Minden Valumart. Constables and auxiliary OPP officers also collected at Minden's Foodland and in Haliburton./DARREN LUM Staff



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Ladies come out to shop

The annual Ladies Night held in Minden on Nov. 29 this year filled the street and shops with friends, families, and mother-daughter teams looking to shop locally. /SUE TIFFIN Staff



The aisles of Country Magic were packed with shoppers checking out the deals on Thursday night. /KAREN LONDON Staff



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The annual Ladies Night shopping event that saw shops in Minden offering deals and opening past usual closing hours filled the street and stores with groups of friends and family members on Nov. 29.



Up River Trading Co. saw a steady pace of shoppers.



Sarah and
Lillie Garbutt
were colour
coordinated
while shopping,
here at Sassy
Digs, on
Ladies Night in
Minden. /SUE
TIFFIN Staff



Councillors presented with cost estimates for transit system

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of approximately \$182,500 a year (excluding the cost of the county employee), however, that estimate may be conservative.

The firm contacted a local provider who estimated the cost of running a service at \$60 per hour, and indicated the service should run at least 10 hours a day, six days a week, for a total of 3,040 hours per year.

It recommends that fares be zone-based and in the \$3 to \$4 range for people travelling within the same community – say from the outskirts of Haliburton Village into town and back – and in the \$8 to \$9 range for those travelling between communities in the county. The average fare in the report is pegged at \$7.

"Sixty dollars, to me, seems incredibly low," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt in regard to the hourly operat-

White said that some similar systems in similar communities run in the \$87 to \$90 an hour range.

At \$87 a hour, the cost for the service would increase to approximately \$265,000 per annum, nearly \$275,000 at \$90 per hour.

Municipalities can access provincial funding, including the use of gas tax dollars, to help cover the costs of transit, and the firm is also recommending the municipality attempt to use advertising dollars to help offset

Moffatt said use of the system would not be equal throughout the county's four lowertier townships, and indicated that thought should be given to how funding allotments would work.

She indicated that perhaps it would make sense for Algonquin Highlands to poll its residents to see how many would even use a service travelling to Minden or Haliburton Village, since many Algonquin Highlands residents are more likely to travel to Huntsville or Bracebridge.

White said that people could use the system simply to get from outside of Dorset, into Dorset and back home.

"It doesn't mean they have to come to Minden, it doesn't mean they have to come to Haliburton," she said.

Councillors also indicated some concern about who would be given priority under such a model – people trying to get to work and back, seniors visiting friends, etc.

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said he'd like to see the county's transportation task force, which has been meeting for two years, included in the creation of the system and said that it needs to be made clear that there is already some existing specialized transit operating within the county, such as for medical appointments.

Councillors' feedback will be directed to the firm.



Realtors with Century 21 Granite Realty Group Ltd. made a \$500 donation to the Minden Food Bank for its Christmas food drive last week. From left are Anne Hodgson, David Lee, Andrew Hodgson, Christine Sharp, food bank board chairman Don Veno, Melanie Vigrass, Rev. Max Ward, Fred Heinzler, Marilynne Lesperance, Brandon Nimigon and Anne Moulton. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

Advertorial What You **AUTO** know from Curry Chevrolet



Chris Pinelli Service Manager

Chris is a licensed automotive technician and is the Service Manager at Curry Chevrolet.



TH THE WINTER season well on its way we've been getting lots of calls with people asking us how best to prepare their vehicles for the winter weather. We suggest starting with a good set of winter tires. Even with 4-wheel drive vehicles, winter tires help

improve traction on snowy and icy roads, helping you to get going and come to a stop safely. We also recommend keeping your vehicle's

maintenance up to date, especially in the winter months. Keeping your vehicle systems working properly will help ensure you don't get left out in the cold. Ask us about our Winter Maintenance **Inspection:** Our Certified Service technicians will do a thorough Multi-Point Inspection of your vehicle, including checking your vehicle's battery, brakes, lights, heating & cooling system and more. We will also complete a complete vehicle alignment check which will help ensure that your tires aren't trying to pull you in different directions on slippery

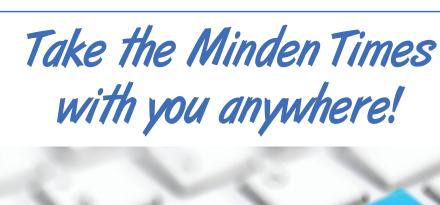
Last but not least, drivers should prepare a winter driving kit to carry with you for the season. Be sure to include warm clothes, a cell phone charger, a small shovel, a bag sand or cat litter for traction if you get stuck in the snow, flash lights and batteries, a first aid kit and jumper cables.

If you have any questions about getting your vehicle winter ready, be sure to call our service advisers Jill & Loic at 705-457-2100.

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Councillors say farewell to Murray Fearrey

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Last week marked the final Dysart et al and Haliburton County council meetings for longtime Mayor (previously Reeve) Murray Fearrey.

Fearrey, who's held municipal office for more than four decades, received a standing ovation at the conclusion of a Nov. 27 Dysart council meeting after being praised by Councillor Walt McKechnie.

"Murray, when you look around this community, at all the things . . . the hospital, the school, Sir Sanford [Fleming College], you were a big part of that . . . the library, the streetscape, our park, the arena, the skateboard [park], the three condos . . . " McKechnie said, listing some of the projects that have been completed during Fearrey's

"Walk out of here today with your head so high," McKechnie said. "When you walk down the street, and drive into town, look at all the great accomplishments. You're the leader. You were the driving force behind

Earlier in the meeting, Fearrey wished departing Councillors Dennis Casey and Susan Norcross, along with their colleagues well, and the new council good luck.

"I think we've had a pretty good council," he said of the past term, thanking chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee and township staff for their work and co-operation over the years.

"I think it's appropriate, too, to congratulate the new members of council coming on, and Mayor Andrea Roberts, and I wish her success in the years ahead," Fearrey said. "I think it's going to be a challenge. It always

The following day at the last county council meeting of the term, Fearrey and outgoing Minden Hills Deputy Mayor Cheryl Murdoch received gifts from their colleagues.

Fearrey left his county councillors with this piece of advice:

"Take your time and make your decisions. Don't rush. That's my biggest mistake I've made many times in my life."



Dysart et al Councillor Walt McKechnie, right, praises outgoing Mayor Murray Fearrey during a Nov. 27 council meeting. After more than four decades in public office, Fearrey sat in his final Dysart and county council meetings of the term. / **CHAD INGRAM Staff**





Red Hawks help warm homes

The Red Hawks varsity boys' hockey team with trainer Brett Caputo and coach Jason Morissette, far left, and assistant coach Clay Glecoff, far right, take a break from volunteering for the Heat Bank Haliburton County on Saturday, Dec. 1 at Abbey Gardens. The team moved and sorted wood as part of a community outreach effort. The team is accepting donations for the Heat Bank at home games. Their next home game is against Thomas A. Stewart Secondary on Wednesday, Dec. 19. Puck drops 3:50 p.m. Games are subject to change without notice.

Right, Red Hawks hockey players dig out wood trapped by snow and ice so it can be split and transported to people in need. /DARREN LUM Staff



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Highland Storm Peewees give back

by DARREN LUM

Times Staff

Our little community is a lot like the Highland Storm Walkers Home Hardware Peewee hockey team. Small, but with a great heart for helping out.

Both could be profiled on Hockey Night in Canada and earn \$100,000 for a chosen local charity for this year's third annual Good Deeds Cup, sponsored by Chevrolet.

Open to peewee hockey teams across the country, the contest encourages hockey teams to give back to their respective communities with charitable efforts.

The examples of good deeds offered on the contest website (www.chevrolet.ca/hockey/ good-deeds-cup.html) are volunteering at an animal shelter, spending time as a team at a retirement home, raising money for charity collecting bottles and cans, volunteering with sick kids at a hospital or shovelling neighborhood driveways.

Teams will document their good deeds with a video, which will be posted to YouTube and then judged for the contest.

The Home Hardware Peewees have put their best foot forward by helping food banks with a collection of non-perishables and money while walking in the Santa Claus Parades in Minden and Haliburton.

This was videotaped and will be part of the one minute submission for the contest.

They collected \$90 in Minden for their food bank. In Haliburton they collected \$75 for Haliburton's food bank, which will be

matched by the local Lions Club and Rotary Club of Haliburton.

The team's non-perishable collection would have filled the back of a one-ton pickup, said their coach James Raposo. It was donated to the Haliburton Food Bank run by the 4Cs

On Dec. 15, the team will be collecting more food for other food banks at Walkers Home Hardware to "Fill the Truck" from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Raposo said entering this contest was about more than the prizes or winning. His motivation was getting his players to learn about being good citizens.

"How helping your community can actually help your hockey. Making you a better person and try and show the kids how to go [and live life]," he said.

Moments later, when asked about the reward, he said, "I want them to always see helping your community is a good thing to do. It's not about the reward at all. It's showing the kids the proper thing to do."

Registering with the contest also provided the team with a Good Deeds Cup bag, playbook, pucks, stickers and bracelets.

Submissions must be posted between Nov. 1 and Jan. 2. They will be judged by Chevrolet and Hockey Canada representatives. By Jan. 26, there will be 10 semi-finalists announced. There were more than 100 teams who entered the contest last year.

The winning team will also have its name engraved on the Good Deeds Cup.

The community in the Highlands has demonstrated generosity and strength of character

Back row from left, Highland Storm Walkers Home Hardware Peewee coach James Raposo, stands with his team Alex Hendry. Aaron Neave, Nathan Harrison, Emery Bagshaw, team volunteer, Jo-Ann Hendry and team manager Lisa Reinwald. Front row from left, Adam Davis, Daniel Stephen and Wyatt Raposo. Absent from the photo is Mikayla Sisson, Spencer Bowker, Weston Bowker and Cayden Russell. The team is competing in the Chevrolet Good Deeds Cup for a chance to win \$100,000 and be profiled on Hockey Night in Canada. /DARREN LUM Staff

before and getting the children to follow in tion between hockey and the Highlands and that tradition was important, he said.

"We just wanted to keep it going," Raposo

Eleven-year-old player Wyatt Raposo was happy to help those less fortunate.

"We're helping people out and just getting people food to eat that don't have that much money," he said.

If the team wins, he said it's good to show the country how the Highlands is a good place.

There's no doubt winning the \$100,000 would mean a lot to the community.

This initiative also showcases the connec-

Canada, Raposo said.

"It continues on with what Haliburton [County and Canada] is with hockey," he said. "We are hockey. You see it all over the place. It's all over the news and the TV all the time. It's more proof this is what we are."

Team manager Lisa Reinwald adds winning would enable the team to return the support paid so generously by the business community.

"It's our way to give back and say, 'thank you," Reinwald said.

IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON

Looking for an opportunity to serve your community or know someone who is?

The Township of Minden Hills is currently seeking two (2) community-minded residents to serve on the Committee of Adjustment for the 2019-2022 term of Council.

Members receive a stipend of \$100.00 for each regular meeting attended and are reimbursed for mileage associated with conducting site visits. Meetings are held at 9:30 AM on the last Monday of each month and typically last 2 hours but may extend longer.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT?

The Committee of Adjustment considers applications for minor variances from the Township's Zoning By-law as set out in the <u>Planning Act</u>. A minor variance may allow property owners to use their land in a way which does not comply exactly with the requirements of the Zoning By-Law.

The Committee of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body made up of citizen representatives appointed by Council. Decisions made by the Committee of Adjustment may be appealed to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT). An appeal to the LPAT is a serious matter requiring considerable time, effort, and often, expense on the part of everyone involved.

AM I QUALIFIED?

It is expected that Committee Members be objective in fulfilling their responsibilities. In advance of meetings Members are expected to conduct site visits (weather and road conditions permitting), and to review the Minutes of Committee Meetings and Planning Reports, which are prepared by Township Staff.

Appointments to the Committee of Adjustment is based upon the following criteria; however those who do not meet all the qualifications are still strongly encouraged to apply:

- Resident or property owner in the Township of Minden Hills;
- · Presence and longevity in the community;
- A background and knowledge related to the function of the Committee of Adjustment;
- Knowledge and understanding of the land use planning process including minor variances;
- Be objective, possess relevant education component or equivalent experience and have strong analytical skills in order to fully consider all information provided;
- Excellent communication skills;
 Reason for wanting to serve on the Committee;
- Be available and able to conduct site inspections on
- subject properties; and
 Be organized, available and committed to attend all Committee meetings;

In addition to the above qualifications, consideration will be given to the composition as a whole in an effort to balance rural, urban and lakeshore interest; age, gender and ethnicity; and, experience and new membership Successful applicants will be provided with orientation and are eligible for learning opportunities.

WHERE DO I SUBMIT MY APPLICATION?

Interested individuals are encouraged to apply by submitting a copy of their resume and a cover letter to Clerk's Department

Committee of Adjustment Member Township of Minden Hills P.O. Box 359 - 7 Milne Street Minden, ON., K0M 2K0 or by e-mail to: sprentice@mindenhills.ca

Applications must be received by Thursday, January 17, 2019.

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WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

For further information regarding the recruitment process, or on the role and responsibility of Committee Members, contact Ian Clendening, Planner & Secretary-Treasurer to the Committee of Adjustment, at 705-286-1260 x206 or e-mail at iclendening@mindenhills.ca.



MINOR HOCKEY

Novice

This past weekend, the Haliburton TimberMart/Haliburton Hockey Haven Sports Camp Highland Storm Novice Reps travelled to Pembroke to participate in the Pembroke Regional Silver Stick Tournament. Friday, the Storm faced the Pembroke Kings. The teams were evenly matched and it appeared the game would end scoreless until late in the third when Pembroke put a score on the board. With only six seconds remaining in the game, Henry Neilson responded with a goal for the Storm. The game ended with a 1-1 tie.

Saturday morning, the Storm played the Mississippi Thunder Kings. Although the Storm lost 5-2 to this skilled team, they played a great game. Storm goals were scored by Evan Perrott and Matthew Scheffee.

Entering into their third game against the Frontenac Flyers, the Storm knew they needed a big win if they were going to continue in the tournament. They came to play. The defensive team held the blue line and kept the puck in the offensive zone, allowing the offence many scoring opportunities. The Storm took an 8-1 win in what would be their last game of the tournament, with goals by Luke Gruppe (3), Henry Neilson (2), Evan Perrott, Isaac Trotter, and Matt Scheffee.

Next weekend the Storm will travel to Ennismore on Saturday to play the Ennismore Eagles, and on Sunday, they will have a double header against the Almaguin Ice Devils in Haliburton.

By Sara Gruppe

Midget

The Highlander and Ed Smolen Family Dentistry Highland Storm Midgets suffered two losses this week, 6-5 against the Mariposa Lightning and 4-1 against the Elmvale Coyotes. It began Tuesday, Nov. 27, in Haliburton against the Mariposa Lightning. The Storm came out strong in the first period and was on the scoreboard in 20 seconds. Gilbert started the rush, took a shot and Smith picked up the rebound for the goal. A minute later, Haedicke moved in to set up the play, fed Dollo and he took a screen shot from the point for the second goal. Halfway through the first period, Haedicke sped in and took a shot, Robinson nabbed the rebound and found the opening, making it 3-0. Shortly after, Lightning struck making it a 3-1 game. The second period ended with the Storm winning 4-1. It was Mitchell that held the line, allowing Gilbert to top corner the next Storm goal. Lots of action in the second period, the Lightning stepped it up and late in the second period, made it a 4-2 game. Early in the third, Dollo made a rush, dropped it to Gilbert and he chipped it in, now 5-2 Storm. The Storm was hushed for the rest of the game. The Lightning took control, came back with four goals and the Storm lost 6-5.

Next, the Storm Midgets met with the Elmyale Covotes in Minden Friday Nov 30. The Coyotes roared in the first, taking a 2-0 lead. Early in the second period, the Storm took advantage of a power play and closed in on the Coyotes' net. Gilbert and Smith fought hard and found the opening, making it 2-1. The Coyotes continued to dominate the Storm with a couple more goals, ending it 4-1.

By Suzanne Haedicke

Bantam

On Friday, the Highland Storm Pepper Mill Steak and Pasta House and Dollo's Foodland Bantams hosted the Ennismore Eagles. The Storm came on strong with Dylan Keefer scoring two goals in the first period, assisted by Jackson Wilson, Kyan Hall and Hunter Winder. With a minute left in the second period the Eagles scored bringing the game close at 2-1. With four minutes left in the game Hall sealed the deal scoring another goal assisted by Keefer

making the final 3-1.

Saturday the Storm travelled to Woodville to play the Woodville Hurricanes. In the first period, Keefer scored an unassisted goal putting the Storm on the scoreboard. The Storm played a solid second period with three more goals by Jackson Wilson, Keefer and Gage Hutchison. With two minutes left on the clock Keefer scored a hat trick assisted by Hutchison and Hall. Amazing goaltending by Darion Maddock who kept the Hurricanes out of his net with his sixth

shutout of the season and a final score of 5-0 Storm.

Sunday the Storm travelled to Beaverton to play the Brock Wild. They were wild indeed. Battling through a very physical game both teams were scoreless in the first period. Early in the second Keefer found the net with a hard slapshot from the blue line. The Wild responded tying the game up at one apiece. A minute later Hall found the net putting the Storm in the lead. Into the third

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period Kaine Brannigan scored assisted by Hall making it 3-1. The Wild were hungry for a win and scored another goal in the third but were unable to get past our defensive game making the final score 3-2 Storm.

Come out and support the Storm this Friday as they battle against the Sturgeon Lake Thunder at the A.J LaRue Arena at 7 p.m.

By Jessica Lloyd

Peewee

The Highland Storm LL Home Hardware's Peewee team played in the Silver Stick Tournament this weekend in Haliburton. The Storm was up bright and early for an 8 a.m. game where they took on Lindsay. Lindsay came out strong and scored two goals in the first period but Storm ended up tying the game with a goal in the second by Emery Bagshaw assisted by Nathan Harrison and Weston Bowker and one more goal in third by Harrison assisted by Wyatt Raposo and Mikayla Sisson, the final score 2-2.

At 12 p.m. Storm took on Havelock and goalie Aaron



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Neave played another great game stopping many shots and rebounds. Harrison scored our only goal of the game assisted by Raposo. Havelock took the win 2-1.

For the Storm's final game as they took on Apsley who took the game and ended up winning the gold medal in this year's Peewee division.

Congratulations on a great tournament!

By Marita Bagshaw

Novice 2 LL

This weekend, the Dewayen Simms LL Novice 2 team travelled to Warkworth for their first tournament of the season. The Storm played hard and walked away with two wins and a loss. They faced Duoro Dukes (8-1 L), Frontenac Flyers (9-7 W) and Ennismore Eagles (5-1 W). First goals of the season going to Travis Rowe and Levi Rowe, exactly 10 seconds apart! Other goals going to Mason Latanville, McCartney Saunders and Brycen Harrison. Assists going to Colten Simms, Gabriel Loney, Cole Morrison, Harrison and Latanville. Outstanding goaltending by Landyn Simms, making save after save. Way to go, Storm! This team is back in action on Saturday, as they host the Huntsville Davicor in Wilberforce at noon.

By Stephanie Harrison



County of Haliburton **Notice**

Inaugural Session of County Council

The Council of the County of Haliburton wishes to provide PUBLIC NOTICE that the Inaugural Session of Haliburton County Council will take place on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 commencing at 2:00 p.m. in the County Administration Building located at 11 Newcastle Street in Minden. The public is welcome to attend.

> Michael Rutter, CAO/County Clerk 11 Newcastle Street P. O. Box 399 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 Telephone: (705) 286-1333 or 1-866-886-8815, Ext. 223 Fax: (705) 286-4829 E-mail: mrutter@county.haliburton.on.ca

Township of Algonquin Highlands

NOTICE Fees and Charges

Pursuant to By-Law 2018-8 NOTICE is hereby provided that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands intends to consider amending Comprehensive Fees and Charges By-Law 2018-72 at its regular meeting to be held on

Thursday, December 13, 2018

The meeting will be held at the Municipal Council Chambers, 1123 North Shore Rd.

Dated: November 28, 2018

Matt Gower Municipal Clerk Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Rd. Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1 T: 705-489-2379 Ext. 333 E: mgower@algonquinhighlands.ca

Midget LL

The Pharmasave Highland Storm LL Midgets travelled to Parry Sound on Sunday for a game against the Shamrocks. Defenceman Brody Prentice and goalie Nate Miscio played well early on keeping the game scoreless. The Shamrocks got a lucky break near the end of the first with a Storm own goal to put our team down by one. Parry Sound went up 4-0 with three quick goals mid way through the second period before the Shamrocks had an own goal themselves to make it 4-1 going into the final period. Parry Sound continued pressure in the final frame putting in three more goals for a convincing 7-1 win over the Highland Storm.

By Gord Hoenow

Atom LL

This weekend the Highland Storm Local League teams hosted the Atom Local League Silver Stick Tournament in Haliburton.

TD Bank Atom team played their first game against Apsley. With a huge battle underway the Atom team found their first unscored defeat.

For our second game against Mariposa there was another battle at hand but during the first period TD Atom team were able to find the back of the net unassisted by Logan Reid. In the second period Mariposa would not let up nor did the TD Atoms when Logan Reid took a nice slapshot from the hash marks and Carson Jones was playing his position to be able to take the rebound and score again. But Mariposa was able to take the win. For our third game, the TD Atom team found themselves worn out from their two prior games, but never once gave up to find themselves defeated by the tournament's champions Kemptville. Awesome job this weekend, Storm.

By Chris McMartin

Atom 1 LL

On Saturday the GJ Burtch LL Atom 1 team played in the Regional Silver Stick qualifier at the A.J LaRue Arena in Haliburton. The Storm hit the ice at 8 a.m. versus the Bancroft Jets. The Storm had its hands full with the much

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicants: Khani Lot 9, Concession 3, Boshkung Lake Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 9, Concession 3, Boshkung Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 9. Concession 3. Boshkung Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY: THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 9, Concession 3, described as Parts 1 and 2 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-10170.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the 13th day of December, 2018 and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: December 6th, 2018

Matt Gower

Clerk

Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Rd. Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1 Tel: (705) 489-2379

Email: mgower@algonquinhighlands.ca

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larger jet team. Unintimidated, the Storm fought hard in both ends of the rink. Down 5-0 with the second winding down, the Storm's Jacob Mantle raced up the ice and beat the Jet's goalie only three seconds remaining. Assist to Benton Lloyd. Mantle's goal seem to wake the team up as most of the third would be spent in the Jets' end of the rink. Eric Mueller scored a beauty assisted by Gideon Borgdorff. The slow start would be the Storm's downfall dropping this game 6-2. Player of the game: Jacob Mantle.

At noon the Storm would face the Lakefield Chiefs. An exciting first period saw chances traded at both ends. It wasn't till two minutes left in the second that the Chiefs were able to open the scoring after a scramble in front of the Storm net. Isaac Borgdorff proved himself a reliable option at the side of the net. Borgdorff scored two almost identical goals just over a minute apart tying the game at two. The first assisted by Jacob Mantle the second by Jacob Davis. The Chiefs came on strong but netminder Jacob Lloyd stood his ground and and made some dazzling glove saves, earning him player of the game. Final 2-2.

The Storm's final game of the day was at 4 p.m. vs South Muskoka HRC Ins. The Storm scoring opened halfway through the first when Jacob Mantle took matters into his own hands skating end to end beating the South Muskoka goalie. The Storm swarmed their opponents, getting lots of chances throughout the first and second. All that work paying off when Taylor Mulock

was able tie the game at 2:30 into the third. The Storm kept working but fell victim to a couple of Plinko type goals, bouncing off of bodies and sticks then into the net. The Storm would lose this one 5-2. Player of the game: Taylor Mulock.

Next up Saturday, Dec. 8, the Storm travel to Gravenhurst to face the undefeated Cottage County Dental team.

By Jamie Lloyd

Midget Girls

The Canadian Tire/Park View Dental Midget girls Jets travelled to Kitchener the weekend of Nov. 23 to 24. Friday afternoon the team faced the Woolwich Wild. The Jets outplayed, outshot, and outchanced the Wild throughout the game. Unfortunately despite their efforts they lost 1-0. Friday evening, they took on the Kent County Fillies and the result was a tie 2-2. Early in the first period, Gabby Burnett got the Jets' first goal by chipping the puck over the goalie's pad, blocker side. Haley Goulet scored the second goal, forcing the puck past a Fillies' forward at the blue line, outskated one of their defenceman, took a shot and scored on her own rebound unassisted. Grace Trotter stood tall in net for the Jets for both Friday games but unluckily suffered an injury and was unable to continue for the remainder of the tournament. Hannah McMann stepped up and put on the pads for the Jets for Saturday's games. Unfortunately, despite playing and working hard, the team lost both games to their opponents which ended their run in the tournament. Results were:

Chatsworth Rebels 4, Jets 0

Branford Ice Kats 2, Jets 0

On Friday, Nov. 30, the team hosted the Lindsay Lynx. The end result was a tie 1-1. Burnett passed the puck out to defenceman, Ryan Rupnow at the point, and Rupnow scored with a wrist shot from the blue line.

Saturday, Dec. 1, the team hit the road to Keene to face the Wolverines. The Jets broke their long standing tieing streak with a 5-0 win. The scoring streak started early in the first with two quick goals. The first, was by Jaylin Frost, who got hold of the puck in a scramble in front of the net and was able to jam it in past Keene's goalie. McMann got the assist. The second, was by Liv Martin who received a stick to stick pass from teammate Burnett. The third, by McMann who got a pass from Rupnow, took a shot, got her own rebound and scored.

The pairing of Burnett and Goulet, some give and go action, and passing behind the net resulted in the fourth goal. Burnett stepped out from behind the net and tucked the puck in on the short side. The final goal of the game, and her second, was scored by Martin who stole the puck at center ice and scored unassisted. Rianna Trotter, had solid performances in between the pipes for the Jets in both of these games.

The team will travel to Peterborough this Sunday to face the Ice Kats. Come out and cheer o the girls at their next home games on Dec. 15 and 16, both games at 4:30 p.m. at the NHCC.

By Linda Goulet

Peewee A

The JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/ Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A's hosted the Sturgeon Lake Thunder on Tuesday, Nov. 27. The Storm tried hard all game to try and get ahead but just couldn't. They unfortunately lost 6-3. Goals were scored by Addison St Cyr, Colby Coumbs, and Cheyenne Degeer.

On Friday Nov. 30, the Peewee A's host the Huntsville Otters.It was a very close game however they just couldn't tie up the game. The final score was 5-4. Goals scored by Addison St Cyr and Austin Boylan.

On Saturday, Dec. 1, Peewee A's travelled to Gravenhurst to battle the Bracebridge Bears. The Storm battled back in the last 40 seconds of the game and won 5-3. Goals scored by Austin Boylan, Addison St Cyr and Colby Coumbs.

In the upcoming week JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A's travel to Wasaga Beach to play in a weekend tournament.

By Amber Card







NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE RENEWAL OF S. G. NESBITT MEMORIAL ARENA

Take notice there will be an Open House regarding the development of plans for the renewal of the S. G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena.

Monday, December 17, 2018 Date:

Time: 6:30 pm: Doors Open

7:00 pm: Presentation

Followed by a Question & Answer period

Location: S. G. Nesbitt Community Centre

55 Parkside Street, Minden, ON

The purpose of the meeting is to review proposed plans for the renewal of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena. Representatives from McDonald Bros. Construction Inc., and Parkin Architects will be present, as well as members of the Township of Minden Hills Arena Building Task Force.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services Township of Minden Hills 705-286-1936 ext. 201 mcoleman@mindenhills.ca





Hawk Lake Bridge Improvements Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study Notice of Study Commencement

Background

The County of Halliburton is beginning an environmental assessment under the Environmental Assessment Act to determine the preferred method of improvement to address structural condition, roadway safety and hydraulic capacity at the Hawk Lake Bridge on Little Hawk Lake Road in Algonquin Highlands. The study area is shown on the map.

Consultation

Members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning of undertaking by contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions.

Project Contacts

If you would like to be added to or removed from our project mailing list or have project-related questions, please contact the Owner and/or Consultant as noted below:

The County of Haliburton, 11 Newcastle Street, PO Box 399, Minden, ON K0M 2K0 David Thaler, Engineering Assistant - Capital Projects, dthaler@county.haliburton.on.ca (705) 286-1333 x233

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Study Area



Source: County of Haliburton Interactive GIS Mapping

Valentine's Day wrestling tournament to take place at HHSS

by DARREN LUM

Times Staff

There won't be any love lost when the Red Hawks wrestling team hosts a tournament on Valentine's Day this year.

This season's lone wrestling tournament at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is on Feb. 14 and will provide seeding for the top-four places at the COSSA championship in Belleville a week after.

Coach Dan Fockler, who is sharing the coaching duties of the Hawks team with long-time friend and colleague Paul Klose, said he expects the field of competitors to be very deep and talented due to the seeding component.

"It should be a good tournament," he said. Wrestlers who don't compete are likely to face a top seed in their opening match during COSSA.

Other years, the Hawks hosted the Haliburton Highlands Wrestling Invitational. Last year the school hosted COSSA for the first time.

With just three female wrestlers and close to a dozen male wrestlers, the team's roster is not as deep as other years when there has been more than 20.

"It goes in waves," he said.

Five wrestlers have three plus years of experience while several are Grade 9 wrestlers

perience while several are Grade 9 wrestlers
The boys will for the most part represent
the Hawks in many of the weight classes.

This starts at 47.5 kilograms (up two

weight classes from the lowest) and up to 95 kilograms.

"We hit a lot of the weight classes on the way up [to the highest weight class of 130 kilograms], which is nice," he said.

None of the girls on the team will have to wrestle each other, he said. They are each representing a different weight class, which includes 51, 61 and 74 kilograms. It's an ideal situation, he adds.

Fockler didn't know what the reason was for the lower turnout, but said there is a benefit to a smaller team.

"They get a bit more mat time when there are not as many so the silver lining might be the results at the end of the season might be a little better because they got more mat time. They're not taking shifts to get on the mat," he said.

Although there haven't been any formal requests from alumni to help coach, Fockler believes there is a good chance someone will stop by during the post-secondary school break coming up.

Last year, the Hawks sent several wrestlers to the all-provincials.

Included in this group were senior Aidan Coles and Grade 11 wrestler Nic Graham.

They return to the team after earning OFSAA berths last year. Coles in the 95 kilogram class and Graham for the cadet class.

Although Graham lost his matches, he gained invaluable experience at the highest level. Coles set a school record for male wrestlers, getting on the podium with a fourth place at the all-provincials. It was an

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Six Red Hawks wrestlers competed in a wrestling tournament at Trenton High School on Thursday, Nov. 29. From left, Ethan Coles, Nic Graham, Austin Weller, Charlotte Paton, Connie Oh and Owen Wootton. Paton earned a bronze. Coles earned silver while teammates Graham and Wootten led the way with gold medals. /Submitted by Paul Klose

improvement on his 2017 trip when he finished with four wins and two losses to end up in the top eight. He also won the sportsmanship award, the Officials Award for Sportsmanship.

Another veteran of the group is Grade 12 Austin Weller, who has wrestled for three years with the team but has never made it to the all-provincials so OFSAA is foremost on his mind.

"I hope I go to OFSAA," he said.

He stuck with the team in Grade 10 after starting, but not finishing the season with the team in Grade 9.

Weller hopes to improve on his finish last year by earning a berth to the all-provincials after missing out with a fourth place at COSSA, which take the top two (unless a "challenge" is made).

Weller is using this Valentine's Day home tournament as an incentive to not just do well in front of family, but to drive him in practice to achieve a strong seeding at COSSA so he can achieve his dream.

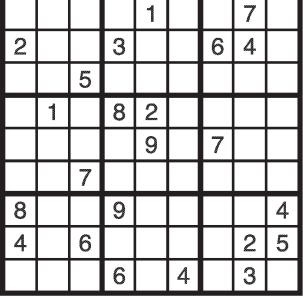
He is excited at the opportunity a home tournament gives him, which is a showcase.

"I like it a lot more. It's kind of motivation," he said.

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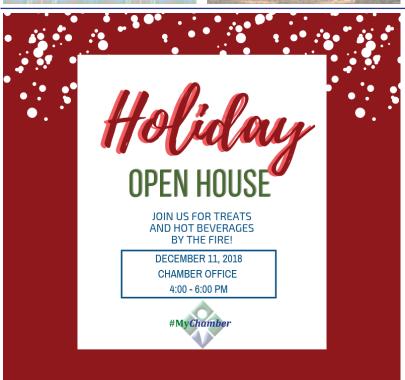


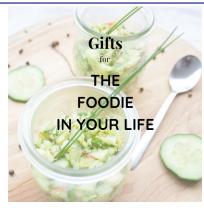














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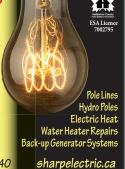
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Drop in, enjoy a snack, and say hello!

Children's Christmas Gift Sale

When: Friday, Dec. 7 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturday Dec. 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Where: St. Paul's Anglican Church,

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When: Saturday, Dec. 8, 7 p.m.

Where: Galway Hall

Tickets: \$15 Christmas Loonie Auction, Desserts For more information or to reserve tickets contact Diane Austin 488-2635 or Joyce Brown 488-2687. Sponsored by the Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development.

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When: Sunday, Dec. 9

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Haliburton Pastoral Charge

When: Sunday, Dec. 9. 11:15 a.m.

Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. at Pine St., Haliburton

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Hawks host volleyball season opener

by DARREN LUM

Times Staff

Come out, show your support and cheer on the Red Hawks this week, as they square off against Kawartha area schools in exhibition play.

Both of the teams, the senior and junior girls will be in action on Thursday, Dec. 6, starting at 2 p.m. at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Senior coach Dan Gimon thinks the home tournament (best of two game format) provides an opportunity for the team.

"They're more than ready to play at home and excited to be at home. It will be a good starting point," he said.

Although the team was a little "nervous" at home to start last season, the Hawks will be better prepared mentally this

Unless the Hawks can finish as the best team in Kawartha so they can host COSSA, they will not host a tournament again this season.

Gimon expects the field of teams for the home tournament to include Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute, Fenelon Falls Secondary School, I.E. Weldon Secondary School, and Brock High School or St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary school.

Also in action will be the 14 juniors, who are coached by Steve Smith.

Both teams are assisted by Janice Scheffee.

A captain has not been named for the seniors yet. It will be decided in time to lead the 12 player roster for the season.

This year's squad includes an additional setter to share the workload. Emma Casey moved up from junior and shares the setting

duties with returning senior setter Arden Harrop. Gimon said their skills are comparable and distributing the workload is a boon for his setter and the team.

"It's kind of nice because last year we had one setter. This year we have the option so this way [Harrop] doesn't have to play the whole game," he said.

An additional year for his returners has strengthened the skill set of his starters.

However this year's squad has less depth with the departure of four players.

"We may have a stronger starting six, but a weaker bench this year. That'll be the challenge," he said.

Last year the team was in the rebuilding stage and didn't have high expectations.

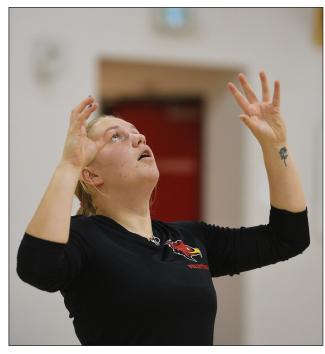
However the team excelled and progressed much better

Gimon loved how his team played last year, but is being conservative with what he wants and said expectations will be set as a team.

"I'm not really setting my expectations yet. Last year I had a meeting with the girls and we kind of decided all together and decided as a group what we're going to do," he said.

This week (after press time), the team was expected to have held a meeting to discuss the expectations and what they want to achieve this season. Expectations will change depending on the competition, Gimon said.

"It was partway through the season before I realized the potential. Same thing here. We'll have to see what the other teams are like first and then either raise the expectations or lower them or keep them the same," he said.



Red Hawks senior setter Emma Casey settles under the ball for a pass during practice. The home tournament to open the Kawartha High School League season is Dec. 6 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The first matches, which include junior and senior teams, start at 1 p.m. Game time and tournament schedule is subject to change./ **DARREN LUM Staff**



Bowling Scores

Monday afternoon, Nov. 26

High Average (cumulative)

Women – Chris Cote – 177

Men – Gary Hunt – 207

This Week's Highs - Women

High Single – Ren Higgins – 242

High Triple – Chris Cote – 587

High Single Hcp - Ren Higgins - 297

High Triple Hcp - Ren Higgins - 698

This Weeks Highs – Men

High Single - Gary Hunt - 303

High Triple – Gary Hunt – 650

High Single Hcp – Gary Hunt – 318

High Triple Hcp – Claude Cote – 718

Tuesday Afternoon Bowling League Nov. 27

High Average - Claude Cote - 198 High Single - Neil Darby – 293

High Single H/C - Neil Darby – 319 High Triple - Dave Tipton – 653 High Triple H/C -Dave Tipton - 743

Women

High Average - Chris Cote - 186 High Single - Chris Cote – 229 High Single H/C - Chri sCote - 261 High Triple - Chris Cote – 600 High Triple H/C - Chris Cote - 696 Haliburton Red Wolves Bowling Scores

Skylar Pratt - 219, Casey Heley - 172, Emily Boccitto -171, Jason Cochrane - 159, Alyssa Whitaker - 131, Dawn Piercey – 130, Ross Anderson – 130

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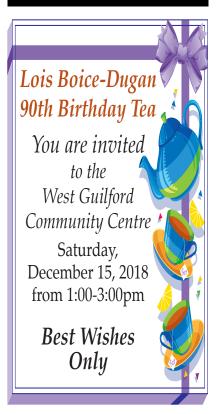
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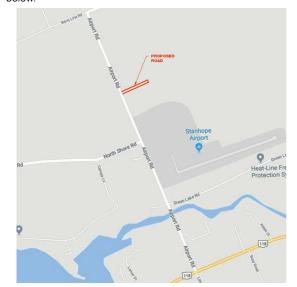
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Notice of Study Completion

Construction of New Road North of the Stanhope Municipal Airport in The Township of Algonquin Highlands **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study**

The Township of Algonquin Highlands completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for the proposed construction of a new road north of the Stanhope Municipal Airport to access the Airport Business Park to be located on Airport Road, north of Highway 118 in the Township of Algonquin Highlands. The Class EA Study concluded the new road should be located as illustrated



The Class EA Study followed the planning process for Schedule B projects as described in the Municipal Class EA document for Municipal Roads Projects (2000), published by the Municipal Engineers Association and revised in 2007, 2011, and 2015. The findings of the Class EA process have been documented in the Project File Report.

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public and stakeholder groups that the complete Project File Report is available for review at the Township Office and on the Township website. Interested persons are encouraged to review the report and provide written comments to the Township within the 30 day review period, December 6, 2018 to January 5, 2019, directed to the project contacts below.

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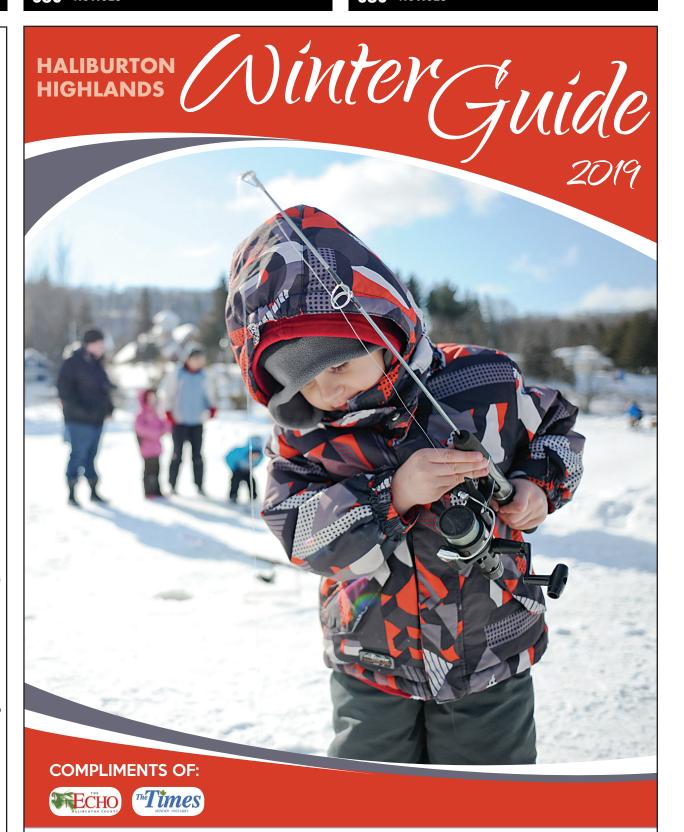
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Minister Rod Phillips

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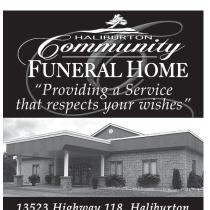
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Survived by his son Bruce Jeffrey Moffatt (Sandra, Connor, Christopher); his daughter Carol Ann Moffatt (Tony Aymong); and predeceased by his son Andrew James (Andy) in 1979 and his beloved Betty Rae in 2017.

Bruce was born and raised near Oakwood & Rogers, the youngest of three boys. When the school system suggested he move along at the age of 16, he did a brief stint at a pickle factory before serving 40 faithful years at the Continental Can Company, working his way up from mail-boy to management.

Bruce was an avid reader, a World War aficionado, and a dedicated crossword puzzler. He had a wry wit and told wonderfully stupid jokes. He was a gifted speaker involved in the Chamber of Commerce, Toastmasters and Rotary, the latter of which awarded him the Paul Harris Fellow.

As a father, he invented hilarious Captain Blackjack bedtime stories with his kids as the heroes. He was the perennial coach, driver, repairman and supporter for myriad sports and activities. He had a formidable moral compass and always sought the high road, saying, "The Browns may do it and the Joneses may do it but the Moffatts don't do it...".

He was the Grandpa who dressed up as Santa, read bedtime stories and wasn't afraid to be goofy. He was a father figure to others who looked to his steady, thoughtful manner for guidance.

Bruce never forgot his meager beginnings; he was grateful for, and proud of, all he and Betty achieved together. A common phrase, as he raised a glass around a table of family or friends was, "Not bad, eh?".

He met Betty in grade 8 and despite throwing her boots down the well, the two became inseparable, eventually celebrating 61 years of marriage in 2016. He never stopped making her laugh.

Bruce came to Betty's family cottage in the 1940s and that funny old place became the foundation of a million memories framed by a spectacular sunset. Bruce called the sunset's ripples his "golden staircase" and in later years, he would look at that view for hours.

When Bruce and Betty retired to the cottage, they forged an enviable retirement with lifelong friends from the city and new-found friends in Haliburton.

Bruce was a homebody and a perpetual putterer, happy to poke around in the garage and yard in his clunky rubber boots - fixing, mending, painting, mowing. He could also be the life of a party, as evidenced by his alter ego "Coconut Bruce", a one-time party prank captured in a single blurry photo.

In 2008, Bruce suffered a stroke, leaving him with a common post-stroke communication disorder called Aphasia. It robbed him of language and challenged his comprehension. It silenced the jokes, stories, and advice; effectively eliminating many of the traits and activities that defined him - but it never dampened his humour.

Aphasia is hard work - and extremely isolating, and even as friends stopped calling and his world became smaller, Bruce demonstrated tremendous grace and patience amid family and a few good friends who continued to see him behind the garbled facade.

Bruce and Betty were two halves of a whole, and Betty's unexpected death in 2017 was an unrecoverable blow for Bruce. A second stroke just months afterward marked the beginning of a steady decline.

There are no words to describe this loss, the final chapter of two lives so entwined. If Bruce was stubborn, private and proud-to-a-fault, he was also humble, funny, reflective and generous; a true gentleman.

Bruce's was a life well lived, ultimately proving that it's not a fancy education or an ivory tower career that makes a man; it's honest work wrapped in kindness, family, friends and humour.

Cremation has taken place and Bruce didn't want a funeral service or celebration. Bruce and Betty are together again and that makes things right with the world.



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In the spirit of Christmas

Haliburton Lions Club members Christine Horton, Chris Nicholls, Bruce James, president Doug King Ron Barr, were joined by Four C's representatives Bob Thompson, and Walter Leveck pose when the Lions Angel Tree was unveiled in the Stedmans mall in Haliburton. The Lions are asking that people take a card from the tree, and purchase a gift for a child aged 11-16. The gifts will be given to families in need this Christmas. The collection continues until December 17 — more details are available next

Seasonal celebrations start this weekend in Minden and Haliburton

The Christmas season gets off to a start in both Minden and Haliburton this coming week-

In Minden, the annual Moonlight Madness shopping promotion takes place Friday evening. (See flyer with this newspaper for more details.) The sale, which is scheduled to get underway at 7 p.m., will be kicked off by a Minden BIA spon-sored Christmas in the Village celebration. Among the events planned is the lighting of a giant Christmas tree on the village green, (next to the CIBC)

In conjunction with the lighting ceremonies, a choir will be on hand to lead the crowd in traditional Christmas carols. Horse drawn wagon rides will be available free of charge and we understand that Santa Claus may even make an appear-

Hot chocolate will be available for all participants. The public is encouraged to bring homemade decorations to hang on the tree.

The lighting of the tree is scheduled for 7 p.m., but festivities will start at 6:45 p.m. with carol singing and tree decorating.

In conjunction with the special day, Minden CHACE Place will have parent volunteers at the drop-in centre to look after youngsters between 3 and 7 p.m. CHACE is located behind the Sears order office on Main Street North. For more information, contact Val at 286-1770.

In Haliburton, Santa Claus makes his official entry into town Saturday afternoon (November

Organized jointly by the Haliburton BIA and the community's Lions Club (with a special effort this year from Bill Hartin), the parade starts at 1:30 p.m. from the Haliburton United Church. The parade will travel west on Highland Street to York Street. Over 30 floats have already registered. There is still time for anyone interested in taking part. For more information call Anne at

Following the parade, Santa will be available for photographs, courtesy of Haliburton Perfect Prints, at the Surveyor's House, between Varty's Jewellery and the Butcher Block and Deli.

Minden's Santa Claus Parade is scheduled for December 2 at 1 p.m.

'No': two 24 hr. emergency depts.

Health study confirms previous observations

by Andrew Milne

A long awaited study into the state of the Haliburton county and ares's health care system finally saw the light of day last week.

Among other things, the study recommends that in-patient acute care be concentrated in Haliburton village, and that Minden's hospital be relocated to the Hyland Crest site. It also suggests that, for the immediate future at least, the board running local emergency services should favour operating Minden's hospital at less than 24 hours, and concentrate on building a system which nonetheless provides solid emergency care, through creative use of paramedics and nurse practitioners, in a more coordi-

The Acting Health Service Board's (AHSB) Acute Care Role Study, commissioned to determine what shape emergency health care services would take in the years to come was released November 3.

The study was expected, among other things, to help resolve the issue of what services should be offered at which sites

in the county. Division of services, particularly between the villages of Minden and Haliburton, has traditionally been politically complex.

Among other things, the study concludes:

- that current usage rates at the Haliburton and Minden hospitals do not justify continuing to operate both facilities on a 24 hour basis, and that this is unlikely to be affordable for the board even in the longer
- that the geographical size of the region, coupled with the sparse population and shrinking health care funding calls for some innovation in the delivery of services - potentially utilizing paramedics and nurse practitioners as more affordable and effective options, within a more closely coordi-
- that hospital use in general be reduced, by increased use of primary care, observation, in-home services, and social services, where appropriate
- that the Minden hospital should be relocated to the Hyland Crest long term care

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What's in a name?

The search is on for a new name for the Haliburton and Area Acting Health Services Board.

It was admitted at the board's meeting Wednesday evening that the group's current name lacks clarity, identity and perhaps is just a little too long for most people to get their mouths or minds around. So, as the board moves toward incorporation, its chairman Paul Heffer has suggested that the organization should take the opportunity to acquire a new name. The members of the board have been asked to provide suggestions and the invitation was extended to the public as well.

In the near future, it is expected, the board will be responsible for the management of the two hospitals in the county. However, as outlined by the Ministry of Health, its mandate could also extend beyond acute care service and may encompass control over and management of Hyland Crest, the delivery of in-home health services and the integration of health-related services throughout the service area which includes Haliburton County and the northern portions of Peterborough

Suggestions for the organization's name can be sent to the Acting Health Services Board, Box 569, Minden, Ontario, KOM 2K0 or faxed to 286-4819. The names will be considered at the December meeting of the board.

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